27 September 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR EXECUTIVE, CIA

FROM : Deputy Assistant Director, Reports and Estimates

SUBJECT: Request for Increase in ORE Table of Organization

During the recent survey of T/O positions made by me in ORE which resulted in an overall reduction of our T/O and a considerable reallocation of positions within the Office, I stressed to the unit chiefs that we would make strenuous efforts to fill their IAC positions with qualified and acceptable personnel. So far we have been singularly unsuccessful in this regard and, as the situation developed, we also had a reduction in these IAC positions although they were not encumbered.

We now have an opportunity to obtain the services of a highly qualified economist with nine years experience in Africa who we consider can provide the expert knowledge on this area which to date we have sorely needed. The recruitment of this man was initiated by OSO and his security investigation is well advanced. He has apparently declined duty with OSO, however, on the basis that he is not prepared to accept foreign service at this time.

We can recruit this man at P-5 providing we can obtain an additional slot in the P-3 grade for NE/A Branch, Africa Division. Adjustment of personnel within the Division will permit this.

I am, therefore, requesting an increase of one P-3 Intelligence Officer position for NE/A Branch, Africa Division, and an increase of the total T/O of ORE from departmental positions.

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